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CABLE MODEM NETWORK

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Sir:

The applicant through its representatives and attorneys, hereby brings to the attention of the Examiner the four (5) documents identified on the accompanying Form PTO-1449. Copies are provided.

U.S. Patent No. 5,452,473 to Weiland et al., U.S. Patent No 5,793,815 to Goodnow et al., "Single Chip Universal Cable Set-Top Box/Modem Transceiver," IEEE International Solid-State Circuits Conference, 2/15/99 pages 334-335, 475 XP-002159079" to D' LUNA et al., and "Transducer Output Single Processing Using An Eight-Bit Microcomputer," IEEE Transactions On Instrumentation And Measurement" vol. IM-35, No. 2, June 1986, pages 182-186 XP-000960883, to Mahana et al. were cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application. Specifically, these documents were noted in the International



Search Report (ISR) of February 12, 2001 in connection with a corresponding PCT patent application and were previously filed on April 3, 2001. A copy of the ISR is also enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

The Written Opinion was provided by a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months from the date of this filing.

This submission is timely in that it is being filed prior to mailing of a first office action on the merits in compliance with 37 C.F.R. \$1.97 (b).

Please take these documents into account in the initial examination of this application and make their consideration of record, along with the information in the background of the invention in the specification as filed.

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